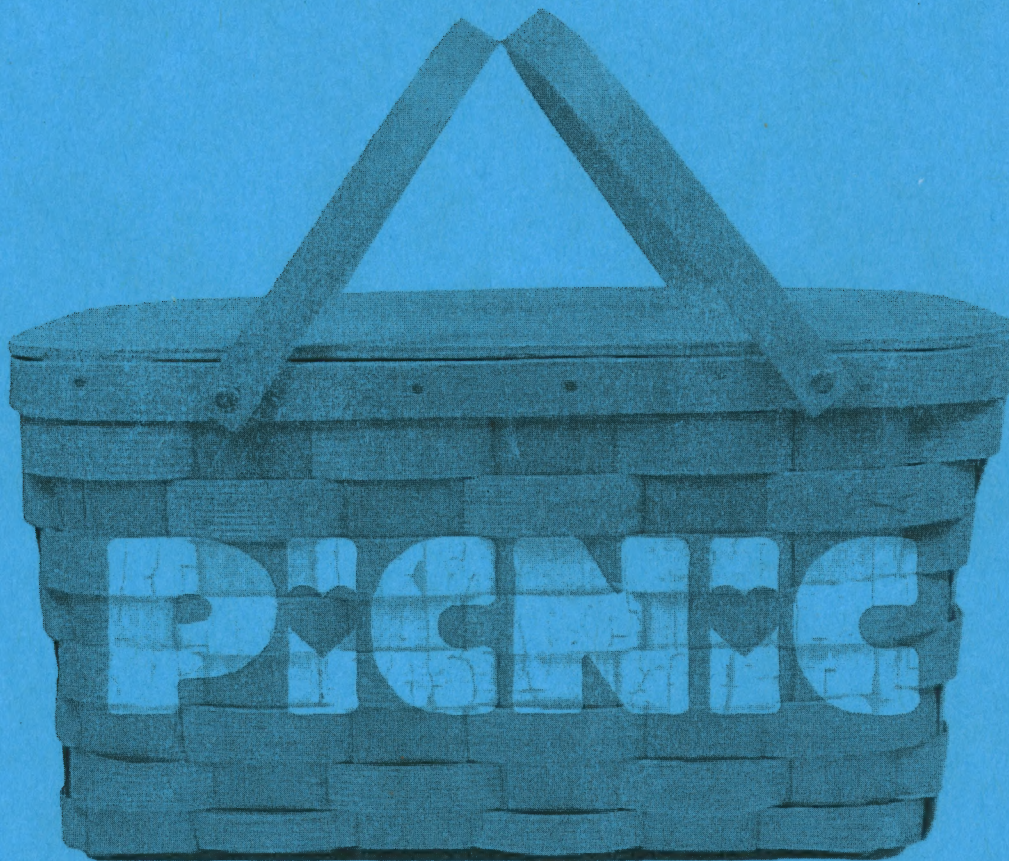


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SAINT JOSEPH'S COLLEGE**

**PRESENT**

***The Pulitzer Prize Winning Drama***

**By William Inge**



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**Present**

**PICNIC**

**By William Inge**

**Directed by John Rahe**

**Stage Managed by Leann Kooi**

CAST

Helen Potts.....Cassie Eaton

Hal Carter.....Jake McCoy

Millie Owens.....Emily Turza

Bomber.....Marten Moreno

Madge Owens.....Shannon Kiley

Flo Owens.....Kim Bullert

Rosemary Sydney.....Samantha Hoyt

Alan Seymour.....Shane Johnson

Irma Kronkite.....Danata Paulino

Christine Schoenwalder.....Vickie Kennedy

Howard Bevans.....John Irak

Mrs. Pott's Mother.....Kayla Wojcik

The play takes place in the shared backyard of Mrs. Potts and Mrs. Owens on Labor Day weekend, 1953.

Act 1: Labor Day morning

Act 2: That evening

Act 3: The next morning

There will be two ten minute intermissions

There will be a loud bang in Act 1

Please refrain from taking flash photos during the show

The Evans Arts and Science Building is no smoking facility



## **Stage Crew**

Lighting Design .....Thad Albert  
Lighting Control.....Francesca Hoopfer  
Sound Design.....Marten Moreno  
Sound Board Operator.....Trent Jefferson  
Set Construction..... Francesca Hoopfer, Cassie Eaton  
Dalton Fleck, Marten Moreno,  
Jake McCoy, Victoria Morrison.  
Running Crew.....Kayla Wojcik  
Costumes.....Wesley Hutson, Kayla Wojcik  
House Manager.....Logan James  
House Staff.....The Columbian Players

### Music

*Jersey Bounce*, Music by Tiny Bradshaw, Eddie Johnson and Bobby Plater. Lyric by Buddy Feyne  
Played by Benny Goodman and his Orchestra  
*Jumpin at the Woodside*, Music by Count Basie. Played by Benny Goodman and his Orchestra  
*Moonglow*, Music by Will Hudson and Irving Mills. Lyric by Eddie DeLange  
Played by Benny Goodman and his Orchestra

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## **MEET THE CAST**

**Kimberly Bullert** (Flo) is a junior from LaCrosse, Indiana, majoring in Biology, minoring in Business Administration and in Chemistry. Kim is also involved in Puma Women as President, Make A Choice as Secretary, PAC, Columbian Players. Kim says, "Thank you all for coming out and supporting this cast. It was such an honor working with so many talented people. It has been a joy working with each and every one of my cast mates and I hope you get as much enjoyment out of watching this play as we have performing it.

**Cassie Eaton** (Mrs. Potts) is a senior from Valparaiso majoring in Wildlife Biology. Cassie is also involved in Columbian Players and Concert Choir, is a member of the National Society of Leadership and Success, and a co-director of the middle school drama club at Morgan Township MHS. Cassie would like to say thank you to everyone who has been involved in the theatre program throughout her time here at Saint Joe - you've made it an enjoyable experience and the most fun she's ever had performing on stage. She's sad to go, but she wouldn't trade her time working with all of you for anything. Thank you to Francesca who has been the bestest friend a girl could ask for...and Cassie promises she shall refrain from breaking



any more of her house - even though it wasn't she who broke it in the first place ;) And thank you, audience, for supporting the performing arts. Enjoy the show!

**Samantha Hoyt** (Rosemary) is a sophomore from East Dundee, Illinois, studying Forensic Biology and Theatre Arts. Samantha is also involved in Columbian Players, Improv Club, Habitat for Humanity, and Writer's Guild. This is her eighteenth production and her fourth at Saint Joe. She would like to send a shout out to Chloe Broeker and thank the cast for helping her step into this role on short notice. Enjoy the show!

**John Irak IV** (Howard) is a sophomore from Hobart, Indiana, majoring in Digital Media & Journalism, as well as Communication. John is also involved in the National Society of Leadership and Success, the campus radio and television program, and Columbian Players. John would like to say, "Thank you to everyone that's come out to the show tonight, I hope you enjoy the show. Big thanks to my parents as well as to Mike and Melinda Reinhart for always supporting everything I've done with theatre."

**Shane Johnson** (Alan) is a freshman from LaCrosse, Indiana, majoring in Accounting. Shane is also involved in Puma Women, PAC, and MAC, and theatre. Shane would like to say "Be prepared to see more of me in future productions. I have many faces."

**Vickie Kennedy** (Christine) is a freshman from Dyer, Indiana, majoring in Biology-Wildlife Ecology track and Communication-Theatre Arts track. Vickie is also involved in Science Club, Spectra Alliance, and Colombian Players. Vickie says, "I enjoyed doing the play and hope that you the audience will enjoy it as well."

**Shannon Kiley** (Madge) is a Senior from Michigan City majoring in Psychology. Shannon is also a Resident Assistant. Shannon would like to thank you for coming and hopes you enjoy the show!

**Jacob McCoy** (Hal) is a junior from Crown Point, Indiana, majoring in Business Administration. Jake is also involved in Concert Choir and is the secretary of Columbian Players. Jake would like to say, "Thank you for supporting the theatre arts and I hope our production of *Picnic* touches your heart."

**Marten Moreno** (Bomber) is a junior from Berwyn, Illinois, majoring in Theater. Marten is also the Vice President of Improv, the President of the Columbian Players, and is a radio DJ for WPUM. Marten is playing the rough around the edges kid Bomber. He hopes you enjoy the show!

**Danata Paulino** (Irma) is a freshman from Greenville, Michigan, majoring in Creative Writing and Journalism. Danata is also involved in Choir, Colorguard, Orchestra, and Band. Danata would like to say, "How excited I am for my first college production. It's been fun getting to know the other actors and the stage. "

**Emily Turza** is a freshman from Remington, majoring in Business Management-Marketing. Emily is also involved with PAC, Writer's Guild, *Measure*, Cup of Joe, and Christian Worship Experience. Emily



would like to say "Thank you to my friends and family for always supporting me, to the cast and crew for a ton of laughs and really helping me to grow during my first show here at Saint Joe, and of course to everyone who came out to see us and support us. You guys rock!"

**Kayla Wojcik** (voice of Mrs. Pott's Mother) is a junior from Michigan City. Kayla is a Sociology major, with a double minor in Theatre and Educational Studies. She is also involved in Puma Women, PAC, MAC, SA, and Columbian Players. Kayla would like to say thank you for everyone coming out to enjoy this play. She would also like to thank this amazing cast for all of the hard work that they put in to this play.

#### DIRECTOR'S NOTES

*Picnic* was William Inge's second play, following the success of *Come Back Little Sheba*, and was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for Drama in 1953. In an interview about the play, Inge said it was based on his early years in Independence, Kansas:

"When I was a boy in Kansas, my mother had a boarding house. There were three women school teachers living in the house. I was four years old, and they were nice to me. I liked them. I saw their attempts, and, even as a child, I sensed every woman's failure. I began to sense the sorrow and the emptiness in their lives, and it touched me.

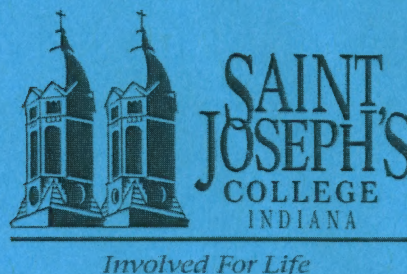
Inge is noted for writing in a very realistic style, so much so that critics claimed that his plays were a throwback to the realism of early art of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. In *Picnic* you see his capturing of everyday life with its humor juxtaposed with the drama and tensions of life. This is a play about these strong women who are trying to understand their places in life with its loneliness, love, and responsibilities. As Inge said above, you "see their attempts" and we hope that they will move you.

#### COMING ATTRACTIONS

ANYTHING GOES.....April 7,8,9

Book by Guy Bolton, P.G. Wodehouse, Howard Lindsey and Russell Crouse

Music and Lyrics by Cole Porter



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